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# The Mountain Eagle.

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## In The Home Some Cheerful Reading

## The Children In Their Own Corner

## Primary Candidates

The List Continues to Grow  
Bigger and Bigger as  
We Go Along.

### Are You On?

**For Justice of Peace**  
Henry C. Boggs is a candidate for Justice of Peace in District 4.

**For County Attorney**  
R. Monroe Fields is a candidate for County Attorney of Letcher county.

**For Circuit Clerk**  
E. L. Inker is a candidate for Clerk of the Letcher Circuit Court.

**For County Judge**  
W. H. Blair, of Coison, is a candidate for County Judge of Letcher county.

**For County Court Clerk**  
N. R. Day is a candidate for County Court Clerk of Letcher county.

The Eagle is authorized and paid to announce R. H. Bentley, a candidate for County Court Clerk of Letcher county.

**For Assessor**  
Wm. R. Boggs is a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

George M. Adams is a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

William Combs, of Smoot Creek, is a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

The Eagle is authorized to announce Shale R. Combs (Red) a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county.

**For Superintendent**  
E. H. Hale is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

Henry C. Dixon is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

George W. Jenkins is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

Jas. S. Pendleton is a candidate for Superintendent of Schools of Letcher county.

**For Jailor**  
Jason Cox is a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county.

William Banks is a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county.

Solomon E. Holcomb is a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county.

John Henry Adlington is a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county.

William M. Hall, of Ermine, is a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county.

Henry Polly is a candidate for re-election as Jailor of Letcher county.

**For Sheriff**  
Snin Collins is a candidate for Sheriff of Letcher county.

We are authorized to announce Louis Cook a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county.

Henry Potter is a candidate for the Republican nomination for sheriff of Letcher county.

We are authorized to announce Riley Ison (Red Girl's son) a candidate for Sheriff of Letcher county.

We are authorized to announce John Ison, (Little John) of Kingdom Come creek, a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county.

## To Parents

Timely Warning by the Editor

Listen mother! When you are impatient, petulant and fiery, can you expect your children to be gentle? When you govern by shouting, scolding and threatening, can you expect them to speak gently to one another, or even to yourself? Do you not see in the carriage and demeanor of your children a reflection of your own spirit and life?

The tempers and dispositions of parents, whether good or bad, whether lovely or hateful, make such impressions on the souls of their children that they are like seeds implanted within them which take root and grow and form part of their future character. Many an angry, fretful, passionate mother is propagating these evils in her children; she does not wish to do so; she does not intend to do so, and she is frequently trying to check these unhappy tempers when she sees them springing up in her children; but so long as she herself manifests these tempers she is transmitting them to her offspring by a natural law. She is breathing into them her own uncivil spirit. They are living in an atmosphere infected with moral depravity. They are taught to be impatient and passionate by example. And, by the way, to be serious about it, the mother will often try to beat out of her children with the rod what she is daily infusing into them with her own spirit.

## Most Anything

A girl thinks it is flirting if she catches a young man looking at her.

### A Doctor's Prescription

A man suffering intense pain from neuralgia went to a new and inexperienced M. D. to get something to relieve him. The doctor finally prepared a liquid with these directions written on the bottle: "Take a teaspoonful half an hour before you feel the pain coming."

It is sometimes better to try and fail than never to have tried at all.

### What All the Fools Think

One-third of the fools in this country think they can beat a lawyer in expounding the law. One-half think they can beat the doctor in healing the sick. Two-thirds of them think they can put the minister in a hole in preaching the gospel, and all of them think they can beat the editor in running a newspaper.

It is almost as difficult to live down a bad reputation as it is to live up to a good one.

### Thought He Needed It

A drummer says he was riding in a smoking car when a man rushed in excitedly from the car behind and said, "Has anyone in the car any whisky? A lady in the car has fainted." Many flasks were drawn and the excited man seizing the largest bottle, pulled the cork and took a drink. With a long, satisfied sigh he handed it back and remarked, "That helped me a lot; I needed it, for it makes me feel queer to see a woman faint."

The way to "break the news" is to drop the printer's type form down a flight of stairs.

Two men in a big city had on a right smart "load" and at last wandered up to a big plate glass window and finally, being too drunk to stand, fell crashing headlong thro' the glass. They were arrested, tried and fined \$3 each. Next morning the storekeeper placed this sign on his window:

This window was smashed by two drunk men. The judge fined them \$3 each. The window cost me \$80. Where in the h—l do I come in?"

## Letter From Judge Collins

Hellier, Ky., Feb. 2.

Dear Editor: I am here at a work in what is known as Pike Mines. The coal is from 3 to 4½ feet thick and I have been comparing the thickness of this coal to the many banks which I saw as I came over here. Why, on Boone's Fork and head of Kentucky river, I saw openings from 7½ to perhaps 12 feet. I am just unable to see why they mine such coal as this when by going 10 or 15 miles they could reach coal that is more than twice as thick. Well, I think development will reach the Letcher coal-fields soon and when it does the rest of the world will have to "go away back and sit down."

I see, Nehe, that the candidates are just bobbing up on every side and I am very sorry I can't be over there to "bob" too, but I will in a few days, if I have good luck and will ask for the Jailor's office. I just believe the people will say I am the man. My announcement will be in as quick as I can get home.

Trusting all are well and wishing you good luck, I am,

Respectfully,  
Chas. L. Collins.

This strength of a nation is in the intelligent and well-ordered homes of the people.

The woman who has a home and keeps it well has no narrow sphere in life. In the home is the hope of the church and nation.

How much of your success do you owe to your wife? It is only just to own this fact before her day by day. It will make her happy and keep her youthful.

If you sear a sapling the tree will tell the tale; so if a child is subjected to improper influence and example the scars will remain and his life be blighted by it.

### The Woman Who Gives Advice

She is a very wearisome woman, the one who gives advice. She does not wait until you ask for it or thinks you need it.

She has it in store, and if you happen along she pours it out on you.

It usually happens, too, that she pours it more freely when you can't use it, don't want it, wouldn't have it and wish she would keep still.

She has sharp eyes as a rule. They are not bright and pretty, but restless little beads, which look as if they were threaded with a pin point, which prick at every glance.

If she looks it is to criticize; if she listens, it is to suggest; if she speaks, it is to relate her experience and explain her way.

You would meekly suggest that you also would like to come by your knowledge through experience, but she seems to be doubtful if so important an individual will ever have any of the happenings that teach.

She means well, oh, bless her, yes; but she is very wearing to mortals who come in her way, and have mislaid their wings.

### In the Home

We are not angels; we are only men and women, and we share the imperfection of mankind. We are not perfect apples; we are speckled apples—all of us. We do not care how deep and sweet and tender and accordant love may render the home life, it cannot but happen that in the close contact in the every day openness and disclosures of the home, our bad points will come out. No family is made up of perfectly straight sticks, but crooked ones. And when they are piled together in the closeness of home life the crookedness will appear. The man and woman married the most utterly, married along the whole line of their natures, must yet find some point where there is not complete contact. There is dissimilarity of education. Before musicians can pour forth perfect harmony, they must bring their instruments into perfect tune. Before

two hearts can perfectly strike together, they must be keyed to the same note; that cannot be altogether done before marriage. The exact real self does not appear in courtship. It is the best self, the self dressed in the best wardrobe of manners and the sentiment and sacrifice, that appears then. After marriage the self puts on its common habits for what it is. Then each real self must adjust itself to each real self; then must each bear and forbear, then must any incompatibility be met and mastered by mutual charity which suffereth long and is kind, which never faileth.

### Little Things of Life

Why is it that we so easily forget that the little things in life are what make it easy or hard? A few pleasant words, a warm hand clasp, a cordial letter, are simple things, but they are mighty in their influence on the lives of those about us, adding a ray of hope to many disconsolate hearts, giving a bit of courage to disappointed, weary ones, and helping to make our own lives sweeter at the same time. Few people realize how much the little attentions of every day life mean to their associates in the home, the church, the business place. It is generally a lack of consideration which makes one forget the tiny pleasures; but lack of consideration is really one form of selfishness, and selfishness is not considered a desirable quality. Remember that the little things of life, either good or bad, count for more with those we love than we ever know, and we should be watchful of our actions and our words.

### "Puppetry"

There is no disease known to medical science like "puppetry." It usually infests boys and girls anywhere from twelve to fourteen years and is a disease that cuts to the heart. It never kills but the person or persons affected think they are going to die, sure. I speak from experience, since I had the disease a number of times in my growing, and each time, after I got over it, looked back and to my surprise, found that the object of my affection, the one that had brought me so much agony, had caused me to squeeze my boyish head and threaten, in my thoughts, to die outright if I didn't get her, was nothing but an ordinary human creature and not an angel.

### Have You?

After school is out children, have you discarded your books, stored them away for spring and summer keeping? Do you know that to get an education requires constant, constant application? The boy or girl that allows his mind to rest too much allows it to rust, and the rusty mind is like the rusty tool, injured.

### From the Editor

Dear Children,  
I desire to thank those who so kindly sent in letters for this issue. Quite an improvement is noted in most of them which pleases me very much. I hope to see all my little friends back into the fold with nice letters for next issue. There are many students attending winter school here and not a few of them are old-time contributors to our dear paper. May this school be the means of bringing enlightenment to the future men and women of dear Letcher. Now, children, let us hear from you regularly. We must not take up too much of the editor's space so will close for this time.

MYRTLE WEBB, Editor.

### Little Letters

Dear Cousins,  
In my last letter I invited you to come and take a ride on the dummy. I have taken two rides which I enjoyed very well. I hope to see you soon.

W. G. Holbrook.

Dear Editor,  
I am on Turkey now playing with my little wagon and watching the dummy carry out the big loads. I think papa will soon get his big job done then I will come home.

Charlie B. Holbrook.

Dear Editor,  
I take pleasure in writing to the Eagle. I am 12 years old. I have a yoke of oxen and work them every day. Our school closed January 2 with a big entertainment.

Grant Ison.

Dear Editor,  
My name has never been in the Eagle before. I am nine years old and like to go to school; last term I did not miss a single day. Papa takes the Eagle and I like to see it fly this way.

Wesley Tolliver.

Dear Editor,  
I come for the first time in 1909. In this new year let's set our marks high and try our best to reach them. Let's go to school and get all education we can. My biggest brother made a school teacher and I wish to be like him.

Joseph W. Adams.

Dear Editor,  
Will you let a little boy join your happy band? My, how I do like to study! But one of my greatest pleasures is reading the dear Eagle. This is my first letter so will be brief and come again.

Wilson Kincaid.

Dear Editor,  
As all the other girls are writing I make my first attempt. I am 16 years old and do not go to school but stay at home and help keep house. I have no mother but have a good papa and two

sisters and two brothers. I can't agree with all the girls on education but I think girls should stay at home.

Donie Adams.

Dear Editor,  
As all the other girls have been writing to the Eagle I thought I would come. I am not going to school as our school closed January 25. I was in the second reader. My sister and I went fishing and caught a nice mess of fish. I will close.

Willie Webb.

Dear Editor,  
Here I come for the first time this year. I go to school every day and like it fine. We are preparing to give a big entertainment at the close of school. Anyone desiring to exchange postcards may address me at Dongola, Ky.

Sarah Adams.

Dear Editor,  
I am a reader of the Eagle and think it a noble bird. This is my first attempt. I am a girl 13 years old and weigh 165 pounds. I go to school every day and take seven branches. My mother is an invalid, having been bedridden for over two years.

Maggie Ison.

Dear Editor,  
I will write you a short letter for the first time in a long time. I do not go to school now as the school here has closed. I will tell you what studies I took. I went in fourth reader, spelling, practical arithmetic, elementary grammar. I think this is enough to write.

Ethel Webb.

Dear Editor,  
I am a little girl 10 years old go to school and enjoy it. I have four brothers and a sister living and a sister who has gone to heaven, there to dwell with the angels. As others tell about their pets will tell about mine. I have one, a dear little brother, whom I love.

Laura Ellen Tyler.

Dear Editor,  
As other children have been writing I will come for the first time. I have been going to school and these days are the happiest of my life. I think we should get all the education that is possible before it is too late. We are going to have a grand entertainment at the close of our school, Tressie, Totsie, come again.

Pollie E. Webb.

Dear Editor,  
As I am a reader of the Eagle and see many letters from my relatives and friends I thought would come. I have never before written. I think this one of the best states in the Union. This winter has been very severe. I have changed my address from Lebam to Globe. I enjoyed the letters on education for boys and girls.

George Adams.

Globe, Wash.

**Prospective candidates for county office should remember that the Eagle offers the only and best way to reach all the voters of Letcher and the quicker you get your announcement in it the better your chance for winning.**

### Little Letter.

Dear Editor and Cousins: I will write you a letter for the first time. Our school is out and my sister Maggie is attending school at Whitesburg. My grandma Fairchild is very sick and the doctor came to see her to-day. We have a little sow that found 12 pretty little pigs. My papa says that if they all live I can have some pets. Say, doesn't this innicate prosperity?

Your Little Friend,  
RENA LEWIS.

P. S. Mamma is a-fraid the Eagle will carry away some of the pigs. (No, never Rena, The Eagle is a great lover of pork but never pulls a pig's ear unless it is cooked and set upon the table. Don't be surprised some day if you should see the Eagle sailing around up about your house on any old day. Editor)



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# The Very Latest

NEWS, GOSSIP, ETC.

Quarterly Court Monday.

A great number of candidates in town.

Esquire Elijah Ison was here Monday.

See the card of Wilson Mullins in this issue.

Attorney D.I. Day is at Hyden on professional business.

Even the big, old fashioned sunbonnet fails to hide the rat.

See the ad of the Marlin Firearms Co. in the Eagle and write them.

Our stories have been slightly mixed up but the one this week is alright.

Wesley Caudill, of Gourd, sends his subscription to us by W.B. Collins.

Pryor M. Collins of Appalachia was here and took passage on the Eagle's wings for a year.

Two of our charming young society ladies were "rushing the season" with the newly created "Springsun" bonnets.

They say that ground-hog day was on the second but we think it comes on the 14th. That is, at least, St. Valentine's Day.

We failed to mention last week that Attorney David Hays is out "beyont" the Mississippi taking a look at the wonderfully wild and woolly west.

Information from Anadarko, Okla., says that the trial of Jos. A. Blair began there yesterday. We expect to know the result of same by next week.

N. R. Craft, of Craftsville, a prospective candidate for the Legislature from this district, was here Tuesday and says he will give us his announcement soon.

Since the candidate are not allowed to take either whisky or money along we would suggest that they fill their pockets full of candy, chewing gum and a twist of "long green." The latter for the old woman to smoke while the candidate relates to the old man and boys how strong he is.

See—  
Henry Polly,  
Wm. R. Boggs,  
John Henry Adington,  
Stephen Combs,  
Wm. Banks.

They are candidates and have shown their appreciation of home and home enterprise by speaking "right out" where people will hear, read and know.

A few days ago John Q. Holbrooks, of Millstone, led to the marriage altar Mrs. Victoria Craft Venters, of Craftsville. This is the second venture of both parties, Mr. Holbrooks having a few years ago lost his wife by death and Mrs. Venters having lost her husband in a few months after her marriage. The Eagle wishes them much happiness in all the hereafter.

Expect-to-be's John R. Sumpter, Wm. Banks, John Ison, Jason Cox, Stephen Combs, Shade R. Combs and most of the rest of the real candidates were here Monday and each looked to us as tho' the flush of victory was on their faces. Bryant and Randall

each were in raptures at another opportunity to greet their many friends. If this don't make a race we are a poor judge.

Don't forget to make provisions for that canner.

Kind or quality has nothing to do with it. Quantity makes the Eagle "aauawk."

WANTED—A few more candidates for jailer. There ought to be at least a dozen.

Merchant M. D. Lewis has been at Colson this week looking after his store there.

No, brother, the price will be the same all the way through. All candidates look alike to us.

Henry Dixon and Elijah Hale both own spanking little mules. Wash Jenkins and Jim Pendleton also perhaps have one each. We suggest a mule-back race as to them.

The patriotic American sings, "Yankee doodle do," the proud rooster strutting thro' the barn yard screams, "Cock-a-doodle-do" and the old maid in the loneliness of her heart moans, "Any old dude 'll do."

Since February 12 is the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln a number of old fellows have come out of the shade and declare that they were born on the same day in the same year. They have been a long time attaining notoriety. They have likely been of the number who think John Wilkes Booth still alive.

An unsigned letter from Indian Bottom gives the details of a general knock-down and drag-out followed by a bulldog chewing a man almost into doll rags on Montgomery creek a few days ago. The doctor called states that the man so severely chewed may not recover. We would publish the entire article but our correspondent failed for reasons best known to himself to sign his name, so we cannot.

By a special arrangement you can get the Louisville Times, daily, and the Eagle both a year for \$3.55.

## DEATH

Comes to Uncle Jesse Holbrooks at His Home on Millstone.

Tuesday night, and almost suddenly, Uncle Jesse Holbrooks, of Millstone, passed from life into the great beyond. Two or three days ago he was taken suddenly ill but soon became better and it was thought that he was on the road to recovery, but on the night of his death he was seized with vomiting and died within a few minutes. No better man than Uncle Jesse lived in Letcher county or elsewhere and he will be greatly missed by a host of friends. He was a Confederate soldier during the civil war and was on many a hot battlefield, being one of the few to escape when Gen. Morgan was captured and confined in prison at Columbus, O. After the war he returned to the peaceful pursuit of agriculture. He became a consistent member of the regular Baptist church and died in that faith. He leaves many relatives and friends to mourn his death.

## DR. DAVE L. WEBB DEAD

One of the Best Known Men in Letcher County and the Mountains Goes to His Reward.

Last Friday night, surrounded by his many friends, Dr. David L. Webb, one of the best known men in this section, died at his home on Bottom fork, in this county. He had been afflicted with that terrible destroyer, typhoid, for over twenty days and all that medical skill could do availed nothing.

He was about fifty-six years of age and leaves a wife and fourteen living children to mourn his death. He had attained considerable reputation throughout the mountains as a specialist along certain lines and will be greatly missed.

Dr. Dave was a son of the late "Dutch" Webb and belonged to the large Webb family in this county. The Eagle extends sympathy to the bereaved family of our deceased cousin.

## Stephen Combs

In this issue appears the announcement of Stephen Combs as a candidate for Clerk of the Letcher Circuit Court. He comes before the public not wholly unknown but is already personally acquainted with a majority of Letcher's citizens. He is a son of George Combs, of Rockhouse, and a son-in-law of Uncle Sol Adams, a prominent citizen. Mr. Combs has been a successful teacher of our public schools for over fifteen years. He has never held office. Six years ago he was a candidate for this same office and was defeated by only a small margin. He served for three years as chairman of the Republican county committee. Mr. Combs says there are three brothers besides himself who are educated and qualified to hold office and that neither of them have ever asked for anything. He says that should he fail to secure the nomination he will ardently support the nominee. He solicits the support and encouragement of all.

## Eld. Wm. R. Boggs

We call the attention of our readers to the announcement of Eld. Wm. R. Boggs of Folia, as a candidate for Assessor of Letcher County. Mr. Boggs is a well known citizen of the Cumberland district of this county and has the reputation of being a good man. He has for a number of years been a minister of the Regular Baptist Church and is held high in that order. Being well connected, of an excellent family of people and fully qualified for the position he asks, we predict that he will be in the race from the beginning.

## Henry Polly

On the front page appears the announcement of Henry Polly (Parker) as a candidate for Jailer to succeed himself. As is well known Mr. Polly was elected to this office in 1905 and has served in that capacity ever since qualifying. So far as we have heard or seen he has made a good official. He is well known by all our citizens and is largely connected throughout the county. He will have more to say to the voters later through this paper. However, we commend him to the consideration of our readers.

## John Henry Adington

J. H. Adington announces as a candidate for Jailer of Letcher county. He is pretty well known throughout the county and was born and reared on Colly creek, in this county. On his mother's side and otherwise he is a strong man in the field. He is a son-in-law of Uncle Abraham Potter, of Millstone precinct. We put John Henry Adington before the public and ask the people to consider his claims. Being a Republican he is subject to the primary of April 16.

## RULES for holding the Republican Primary for Letcher county adopted by the Rep. Co. Com. at meeting held in the Courthouse on Jan. 21, 1909.

Rule 1—That a primary election be held at the regular voting place in each voting precinct now fixed by law in the county of Letcher by opening a poll in each of said precincts on the 16th day of April, 1909, from the hours of 6 a. m. to 4 p. m., standard time, for the purpose of nominating Republican candidates for the offices of Circuit Court Clerk, County Court Clerk, Judge, Attorney, Sheriff, Jailer, Superintendent, Assessor, Surveyor, Coroner, Constable, Justice of Peace.

Rule 2—That the Rep. Co. Com. of Letcher county shall meet at the Courthouse at 1 p. m. on April 1, 1909, and shall appoint suitable persons to act as officers of the election for said primary election, as the law directs, and for each voting precinct in said county, and that each candidate shall have the right to furnish the county committee with names of suitable Republicans to act as election officers, and if the candidates submit such lists the election officers shall be named from the said lists, dividing them as nearly equal among the candidates as can be done.

Rule 3—When the time for closing the polls arrives the officers shall close them; after counting the votes in each precinct in said county they shall publicly announce the result and before leaving the voting place shall certify the vote, each officer and inspector retaining a copy of the certificate, and shall within 72 hours thereafter file a copy of said certificate with the chairman of the Co. Ex. Com. They shall also file with said chairman of said committee the poll books, challenge vote, ballots received by them at said election and all questioned or rejected ballots, marked and sealed as the law directs, and the county committee shall on the 20th day of April meet at the Courthouse and canvass the returns as required by law.

Rule 4—Each candidate meeting the requirements of this call shall have his name printed upon the official ballots to be used at said primary election under a device selected by him, and the position upon the ballot shall be determined by the county chairman.

Rule 5—Only known Republicans, who are legal voters in their precincts at the time of offering, and who are affiliated with the Republican party, shall be permitted to vote in said primary.

Rule 6—Before any candidate desiring to enter this primary shall be entitled to have his name placed upon the ballots to be voted at this primary he will be required to take and subscribe to the following oath:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_, being a candidate for the Republican nomination for the office of \_\_\_\_\_, do hereby voluntarily and sincerely swear that I will make the race so long as I continue to be a candidate on my own merits and claims to the office which I seek. That I will at all times while in said race deal strictly fair and square with any and all my opponents whoever they may be. That I have not and will not, directly or indirectly, in any way or by any means whatever, use, cause to be used or permit to be used by myself, friends or any one else for me or for my benefit, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or any mixture thereof or any intoxicating beverages of any kind or description, or any money or other thing of value, or any ballot or exchange votes with any other candidate for any other office, in this primary or at the Nov. election, 1909. Nor will I knowingly and willingly permit anyone, male or female, to do these things for me or to influence by so doing any elector to cast his ballot for me at said primary election. I swear that I will not at any time or place or in any way at all reimburse anyone for anything he, she or they, have spent or claim to have spent for me or in my interest in this race. I swear that when I select my list of election officers for this primary that I will to the very best of my judgment select but those who are strictly honest, upright, sober, intelligent Republicans of this county, and who in my opinion will do exactly right towards all candidates regardless of their own personal choice. I swear I will do my best to give each and all of the electors who enter this primary a full and free expression of their choice of candidates and to have that expression recorded exactly as given. I swear that I will not by word, sign or token or in any way, procure or cause to be procured or consent to be procured or knowingly permit to be procured, by anyone else for me, or at all, or to be used for me or for my benefit in this race, directly or indirectly, any spirituous, vinous or malt liquors or mixtures of the same, or any money or any other thing of value to be used for me or in my behalf at said primary election. I swear that I am not taking this oath with the purpose of a shrewd politician to evade it, but that I will in all things keep it sacred and inviolate in its whole spirit and meaning. I swear that I will to the best of my ability keep a correct, itemized account of all the money spent by me on account of this primary and will file a copy of same with the Secretary of the county committee before I demand the certificate for the examination of anyone who may desire to examine the same. But it is understood that nothing contained herein shall be construed as to prevent me from paying any and all the reasonable, legitimate expenses of whatsoever nature of myself and friends while canvassing the county and electing myself for me."

Subscribed and sworn to before me by \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1909.

Rule 7—If it shall be made to appear to the satisfaction of the committee that any candidate who has received the highest number of votes for any office has violated the provisions of Rule 6, or any of them, no certificate will be awarded to such candidate. And the committee will declare that no nomination has been made for that office, and proceed to call another primary or convention to nominate candidates for any and all such office or offices. But no such steps will be taken until after a full and fair contest has been held before said committee.

Rule 8—Before any certificate is awarded to any candidate he will be required to subscribe to oath No. 6 that he has not violated same.

J. W. Hale, Chmn. Letcher Co. Rep. Com.  
Andrew J. Sturgill, Secy.

## NOTICE!

Pursuant to a call by the Republican Co. Committee or governing authority of the Republican party of Letcher county made at a meeting of said Committee held at Whitesburg, Ky., on the 11st day of January, 1909,

### NOTICE

Is hereby given that on Friday, April 16 1909, between the hours of 6 a. m. and 4 p. m., a primary election will be held in the said Letcher county for the purpose of nominating Republican candidates for the offices of Circuit Court Clerk, County Judge, County Attorney, County Superintendent, County Court Clerk, Sheriff, Jailer, Assessor, Surveyor, Coroner, Constable, Justice of Peace, to be voted for at the regular November election, 1909, for said offices. That for the purpose of holding said primary election a poll will be opened at the regular voting places in each and all of the voting precincts in said county on said day be-

tween said hours. Witness our hands this 21st day of January, 1909. John W. Hale, Chmn. Rep. Co. Com. Andrew J. Sturgill, Sec.

### WANTED.

Responsible man with horse and buggy in each community, salary \$5 to \$10 per day, to take orders from owners of farms, orchards and home gardens. A splendid opportunity for farmers' sons, also fruit tree and sewing machine agents, to make a business connection which will become more profitable each year. Address P.O. Box 189, Youngs Island, S.C.

Several interesting communications arrived too late for this issue. Correspondents and those sending matter for publication should remember that nothing can get in the Eagle that comes in later than Wednesday morning.

Let the Eagle have your announcement if you expect to be IN IT! NOW is the BEST TIME! COME ON!

## Don't Worry

If you are sick, don't worry, but begin at once to make yourself well. To do this, we but repeat the words of thousands of other sufferers from womanly ills, when we say:

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## George of the Scribblers'

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The Scribblers' club was started some years ago. It is not a Bohemian club; rather it is a club consisting of men who work, if anything, a little too hard. It is a literary club pure and simple, and it is extremely comprehensive. Nearly all the well-known writers are members, though it is true some of them, the very great ones of the profession, do not visit us very frequently.

"Abandon conceit, all ye who enter here," might be written over our entrance door. But we are proud of each other, as proud of our failures as we are of our successes; and the Scribblers stick to each other as loyally as do the Freemasons. We are proud of Hioscop, who is the athlete of the club, and we honor with him, when, with his broad back completely shutting out the fire, he delivers in a loud voice his diatribe on all things upon the earth and the waters thereon; for Hioscop has written the best short story in existence. We are proud of Percy Littleford, who, to the stranger, may seem only a small and peevish man with a pale face and a perpetual frown; but we know that Littleford is a great scholar and a superb critic. We are proud of Millan, upon whom the casual observer would not bestow a second glance; but we know that though Millan wears shaggy hair and has a face that seems to be discovered and peeped out, we are proud of Grahama, who smokes some villainous compound which he calls tobacco, but which sets every man coughing, for he is the author of that sterling novel, "Why I Did It."

In fact, every one of us has done something which has entitled him to our respect, though the world at large may not yet have recognized the achievement.

The qualifications for membership at the Scribblers' are supposed to be somewhat severe; but Hioscop says that any man who can read words of one syllable is entitled to put up, he



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cause he probably holds the book in his hand, and is therefore "connected with literature." So that as it may, we were all rather astonished when George joined us. His full name is Vavasour Montague de Courcy Jebbing, and his father is the inspired genius who first thought of making pork pies—with jelly, and says so continually in every possible form of advertisement; but, of course, everybody has seen "that only Jebbing's Pork Pies—with jelly, and eat nothing else!"

Millan brought V. M. de C. to one of the monthly dinners at the club; and the young fellow was so obviously delighted with the speeches and the rest of it, was so light-hearted and genial, that we all took a fancy to him, and at his urgent request, Millan put him up; and in a very short time had rechristened him with the friendly and familiar name by which alone he is known at the Scribblers'. He is an only son, indeed, an only child, and his father, who is exceedingly proud of him ("Good looking and altogether decent chap, George; but don't any of you fools tell him so," said Hioscop, under his liberal allowance, which George dutifully and conscientiously records twice over, with his father's approval.

At the very days of George's membership at the Scribblers' he displayed a frantic desire to stand champagne on every possible occasion; but some of us delicately pointed out to him that we were more accustomed to the simple wine of Scotland, accompanied by the chattering soda, and that strange and unholy liquors were bad for literary men; also that, as a rule, we liked to pay for our own drinks. He took this and all the other hints—hints of pyramidal thickness and of hideous-like directness—in very good part; and all would have been well with George if Skimball, who was suffering severely from "retarded with thanks," had not taunted George with never having "written anything except cheques."

Strangely enough the taunt stuck in George's mind as the dart of a banderillo adheres to the bull. He went straight home and began to think—a dangerous thing for a light-headed and delightfully brainless man like George to do; and, worse still, he went on thinking, and as a result of the novel mental irritation wrote a "work of fiction!" It was—oh, my aunt, it was awful! He kept it dark until it was produced—of course, at the author's expense; and here followed the deluge. Reviews, sarcastic, cynical, openly abusive, poured down on George's curly hair. The worst, the most brutal of the notices

was written by Littleford, the quiet, reserved Littleford, as honest as—singular, I can't think of any name at the moment!—a scholar, and an absolutely conscientious critic. I need not add that he was poor; that follows naturally enough. The review appeared in The Scribblers, and we all promptly showed it to George, some of us with the truly charitable object of checking any further literary effort on his part. He looked rather rueful, but said nothing, drank a soda-and-whisky in comparative silence, and shortly afterward disappeared.

Two days later Hioscop, with his back to the fire, looked round and remarked regretfully: "Had bit of business, this of Littleford's! Not heard of it? Really, you fellows seem to go about with your heads in bushel baskets!"

"Some of us require a two-bushel basket," interpolated Millan, glaring significantly at Hioscop, who, after hurling parenthetically: "Swelled head yourself!" continued:

"Got the order of the sack from The Scribblers. They're not doing very well, cutting down expenses, and have found some one to take on Littleford's work for less money, I suppose. So the marriage is put off. Awful pretty girl he's engaged to; met her and Littleford feeding the ducks in the park; told me all about it next day; idyllic story; I wept like a child. Yes, he's got the chuck."

"There was a muttered chorus of 'heavily shame!' 'Just like old Niggles, of the Scribblers; anything to save a shilling!' Poor little girl." "Not a bad chap, Littleford, though he's a monster when he's on the war-path." Then we passed to something else. George had said nothing.

Littleford appeared at the club next day, and one of us ventured to express sympathy. He cringed and frowned:

"Oh, it's all right," he said, in his curt way; "they've taken me on again, for some reason or other."

"Then the marriage will come off, old man?"

"No; future too uncertain," he replied, shortly; and thereupon proceeded to cut the leaves of a book, preparatory to cutting up the author.

Time passed—if a more useful phrase than this exists, I can only say that I have not met with it—no, incredible as it may seem, George produced another novel. More deluge! The Scribblers came out with a review which made the hair of some of us stand on end, and it was signed—the review, not the hair—"Percy Littleford."

Hioscop asked him why he had signed his name to it. Littleford regarded him grimly for a moment, and then replied:

"Because I discovered that it was George who got me taken on again, and—I had to sign it."

"Oh! Well, I shouldn't be surprised if you now get the ultimate chuck," Hioscop commented. "For sheer savagery, this article of yours takes the frehold of a bludge factory."

We all agreed, for once, with Hioscop; and our surprise was stupendous and paralyzing when he pranced into the club the following evening about-lug, even more loudly than usual:

"Boys, the old Scribblers has changed hands! And—keep your mouths shut, Millan; I want to tell this standing outside—Littleford has got the editorial chair! And who do you think is the new proprietor? Stand tight! Hold on to something! It's—George!"

George came in before we could all ourselves of our limited knowledge of English, and was at once surrounded and threatened with several painful deaths, loudly described in lurid language, unless he instantly explained. He looked shy, for the first time in his life, and stammered as he said:

"Well, I—I wanted to be something in the literary line, like you fellows in the club; and as the novel business didn't pan out very well—though, mind you! I don't think it was worse than some of the stuff you chaps write—I thought I'd buy a paper."

"But why, why choose Littleford for editor?" he was asked. "He is capable enough, of course; but those notices of his!"

"Well—I thought I'd like a straight up-and-down chap—"

"No man can be straight and an editor at the same time, you blithering idiot!"

"—And—and," added George, stammering and blushing again, "I, too, saw 'em feeding the ducks. Such a jolly little girl! They're to be married next week, and I'm going to be the best man. I say, couldn't we have champagne on this occasion, just to drink their health? No? Oh, well! Whiskies all round, waiter, as usual!"

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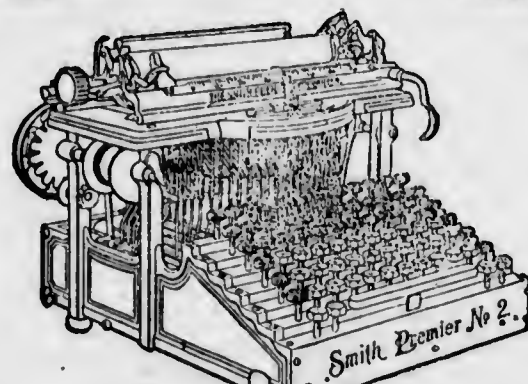
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